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STRAINED SILICON SURFACE CHANNEL MOSFETS

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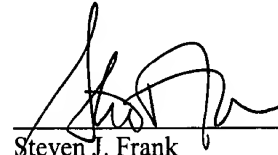
Sir:

This paper confirms the telephone message left by the undersigned for the Examiner on September 5, 2002, and responds to the Office Action mailed on August 14, 2002.

In the present Office Action, the Examiner reiterates the substance of the previous Office Action mailed on May 7, 2002, and to which we replied on August 6, 2002. Apparently the Examiner had not yet received our response to the May 7 Office Action when the most recent action was issued.

Accordingly, we request that the paper we filed on August 6 be entered in response to the latest Office Action. Please charge any fee occasioned by this paper to our Deposit Account No. 20-0531.

Respectfully submitted,

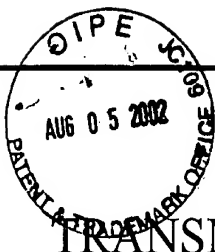


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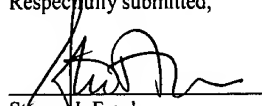
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